CAISTOR RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

S H O R T R E P O R T B Y:

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To the
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31st December, 1939.

To the CAISTOR RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report for the year 1939.

The Caistor Sanitary District consists of 40 parishes and covers an area of 119,992 acres. It is entirely agricultural. The estimated population for the year 1939 was 12,060 for calculation of birth rate and 12,290 for calculation of death rate. The number of inhabited houses was 3,695, and the number of families or separate occupiers was 3,708.

The rateable value of the District on the 1st April, 1939, was £26,496, with an estimated produce of a penny rate of £119.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR, 1939.

Births.	Total.	M.	F.	
Legitimate.	163	76	87	) Birth rate per 1,000 of
Illegitimate.	10	6	4	) the estimated resident population. 14·344.
Still-births.				
Legitimate.	8	3	5	) Rate per 1,000 (live and
Illegitimate.	0	0	0	) still-births) 15·008.
Deaths.	181	95	86	(Death rate per 1,000 of (the estimated resident (population. 14·727.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.

No. 29.	Puerperal Sepsis.	0
No. 30.	Other Puerperal Causes.	0
	Total.	0

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age.

All infants per 1,000 births.	33·148
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate births.	27·624
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate births.	5·524

Deaths from:

Cancer (all ages).	17
Measles (all ages).	0
Whooping Cough (all ages).	0
Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age).	2

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

The Public Health Officers of the Caistor R.D.C. are:-

Medical Officer of Health.	Alexander Fraser, M.B.,C.M.
Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor.	James Philip Mason, M.S.I.A. (Cert. of Royal Sanitary In).
Manager, Caistor Waterworks.	Harry Dixon.

Laboratory Facilities.

Examinations are carried out at the Emergency Public Health Laboratory, County Council Offices, Lincoln.

Diphtheria Anti-toxin, Anti-typhoid Serum, and Scarlet Fever Streptococcus Anti-toxin are supplied by the District Council.

Ambulance Facilities.

(a) For Infectious Cases. A motor ambulance is provided by the North East Lindsey Joint Hospital Board.

(b) For Non-Infectious and Accident Cases. An agreement has been made with the Corporation of Grimsby for the removal of patients subject to certain conditions. This agreement has proved very satisfactory.

SUMMARY (for reference) OF NURSING ARRANGEMENTS, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE DISTRICT.

Nursing in the Home.

As in my previous reports.

Clinics and Treatment Centres.

As in my previous reports.

Hospitals - Isolation.

The North East Lindsey Joint Hospital Board isolates the whole of the Infectious Diseases for the District.

Midwifery and Maternity Services.

Administered by the Lindsey County Council.

Health Visitors.

The duties of the above are performed through the Lindsey County Council.

Infant Life Protection.

The duties of the above are performed through the Lindsey County Council.

Arrangements for Dental, Orthopaedic, etc., cases by the Lindsey County Council.

Registration of Nursing Homes by the Lindsey County Council.

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SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supply.

No changes were made in the District during the year. Full details were given in the 1938 report.

Unsound Food. - Carcases inspected and condemned.

	Cattle excluding cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.
Number killed (if known).	379	included.	20	1,036	1,784
Number inspected.	----------	about 50%		----------	
All diseases except Tuberculosis:					
Whole carcases condemned.	2	-	None.	8	3
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	6	-	-	-	20
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis.	4.20	-	-	1·10	2.30
Tuberculosis only:					
Whole carcases condemned.	4	-	-	-	6
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	6	-	-	-	8
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.	5·30	-	-	-	1·50

H O U S I N G.

Total number of new houses erected during the year. 78

(1) by the Local Authority. 30

(2) by other Local Authorities. 0

(3) by other bodies or persons. 48

Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year:-

1.	(a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under the Public Health or Housing Acts).	201
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose.	263
2.	(a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under Sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925.	148
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose.	165
3.	Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	5
4.	Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	145

Housing (Rural Workers) and Financial Provisions Acts.

These Acts are now administered under this Council:- 9 applications were considered under the Rural Workers Act and 8 under the Financial Provisions Act.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ALEXANDER FRASER,

Medical Officer of Health.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Age Periods.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	1	1	2	-	-	1	-
5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
10	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
15	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
20	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
45	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
55	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
65 and upwards.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals.	2	4	4	4	1	2	1	1

ADMISSIONS TO HOSPITALS.

41 Cases were admitted to the Hospital during the year:

Diphtheria.	7
Scarlet Fever.	34
Typhoid Fever.	0
Erysipelas.	0

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

Disease.	Ages.											Total	Deaths
	1.	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65		
Smallpox.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever.	1	4	3	1	8	9	2	2	-	-	-	30	-
Diphtheria.	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	1	-	1	-	7	-
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-
Pneumonia.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	3	7
Other diseases generally notifiable (Erysipelas).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	4	-
Other diseases notifiable locally (Encephalitis).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-

CAUSES OF DEATH IN CAISTOR RURAL DISTRICT, 1939.

CIVILIANS ONLY.

	Causes of Death.	Male.	Female.
	All Causes.	95	86
1	Typhoid and paratyphoid fevers.	-	-
2	Measles.	-	-
3	Scarlet Fever.	-	-
4	Whooping cough.	-	-
5	Diphtheria.	-	-
6	Influenza.	1	1
7	Encephalitis lethargica.	-	-
8	Cerebro-spinal fever.	-	-
9	Tuberculosis of respiratory system.	-	3
10	Other tuberculous diseases.	2	-
11	Syphilis.	-	-
12	General paralysis of the insane, tabes dorsalis.	-	-
13	Cancer, malignant disease.	7	10
14	Diabetes.	1	1
15	Cerebral haemorrhage, and etc.	2	8
16	Heart disease.	24	21
17	Aneurysm.	-	-
18	Other circulatory diseases.	9	2
19	Bronchitis.	2	2
20	Pneumonia (all forms).	3	4
21	Other respiratory diseases.	0	2
22	Peptic ulcer.	2	0
23	Diarrhoea and etc (under 2 years).	1	0
24	Appendicitis.	1	0
25	Cirrhosis of liver.	-	-
26	Other diseases of the liver, etc.	1	1
27	Other digestive diseases.	2	2
28	Acute and chronic nephritis.	1	1
29	Puerperal sepsis.	-	-
30	Other puerperal causes.	-	-
31	Congenital debility, premature birth, malformations, etc.	5	0
32	Senility.	17	15
33	Suicide.	-	1
34	Other violence.	9	1
35	Other defined diseases.	5	9
36	Causes ill-defined or unknown.	-	-
	Special Causes (included in No. 35 above).		
	Diarrhoea (over 2 years).	-	2
	Smallpox.	-	-
	Poliomyelitis.	-	-
	Polioencephalitis.	-	-

	Male.	Female.
Deaths of infants under 1 year.	5	1
Legitimate.	4	1
Illegitimate.	1	0
Total Live Births.	82	91
Legitimate.	76	87
Illegitimate.	6	4
Total Still-Births.	3	5
Legitimate.	3	5
Illegitimate.	0	0

Population (for Births and Deaths).

(a) For the calculation of birth rate.	12,060
(b) For the calculation of death rate.	12,290